

VISN 19-WIDE MULTIPLE AWARD TASK ORDER CONTRACT (MATOC)

QUESTION AND ANSWERS

Amendment A00002 Question and Answers end with question 127.

QUESTION 128: Section 1.1.B: refers to shop drawings. Please provide the shop drawings.

ANSWER 128: Shop Drawings to be provided to the contractor awarded the project.

QUESTION 129: “Our firm and our subcontractors are having issues with the project drawings that were solicited via the VISN 19 MATOC project: V19-15-0001. Of the 3 sets of drawings we’ve downloaded directly from the FBO website, set 1 and set 3 have 8.5”x11” page sizes. To ensure that we can provide an accurate and competitive proposal for this project, our firm requires correctly scaled, reproducible drawings to compile our estimate.

We understand that the deadline to submit questions for clarification has passed, however we believe it is imperative that the VA review this issue prior to the bid deadline as the incorrectly scaled drawings also affect every contractor bidding this project. Additionally, we are not able to proceed with our estimate until the correct size drawings are made available and with the bid deadline fast approaching, our firm may not submit a proposal for this project unless there is adequate time to review the bid documents in greater detail.”

ANSWER129: Solicitation drawings are PDF and should be able to be sized by the printer

QUESTION 130: The pdf files of the plans appear to have several of the architectural plans printed to 8.5 x 11 which makes it almost impossible to read the plans in the online format. Can the VA please provide pdf files of the plans in their true size?

ANSWER 130: See question 129 above.

QUESTION 131: In FBO, Plumbing and Mechanical drawings can be printed as 24 x 36 but the Architectural and Electrical drawings are 8 ½ x 11. Please upload files that can be printed as full size drawings.”

ANSWER: See question 129.

QUESTION 132: Spec Section 00 43 23 has an alternate bid form with a project title of Construct New Patient Suites on 3rd Floor. Are we to include this with the provided SF1442 and bid form provided in the RFP or should we disregard this?

ANSWER132: The Spec Section 00 43 23 has an alternate bid form with a project title of Construct New Patient Suites on 3rd Floor is to be ignored and not used for submission of proposal.

QUESTION 133: RFP, Statement of Work, Document Titled 012915 MATOC SEED Project BID ITEMS is different in the order and numbering of the Deductive Alternates found in Section 004323, Part 1.4 – Schedule of Alternates. In the Schedule of Alternates, Alternate #1 deletes the kitchen staff offices.

On the "BID ITEMS" form, this is Alternate 0003. Please clarify which form to use, or issue a revised BID FORM.

ANSWER: See question 132.

Specification 11 41 21:

QUESTION 134: Specific load calculations?

ANSWER 134: None specifically requested. Shop drawings and calculations to be submitted for review and approval prior to ordering, delivery and installation.

Specification 11 41 21:

QUESTION135: Discharge Air temperatures?

ANSWER135: None specifically requested. Shop drawings and calculations to be submitted for review and approval prior to ordering, delivery and installation.

QUESTION 136: 2.2B requires a positive oil lubrication and oil level indicating device for each compressor. Units of this size are typically design with a hermetically sealed compressor which does not come with these devices. Please clarify that this is not required.

ANSWER 136 : Shop drawings with contractor's proposed solution shall be submitted for evaluation and approval. It is up to the contractor to evaluate and provide the best solution to meet the requirements of design documents.

Specification 11 41 21

QUESTION 137: Drawing AS601- Window Schedule denotes 1 new window, where does this window get installed.

ANSWER 137: Between the Office 3217 and the Kitchen.

QUESTION 138: What is the desired temperature set point for coolers and freezers?

ANSWER 138:Freezers/-10 to -5 degrees F. Refrigerators/32 to 40 degrees F.

QUESTION 139: GI003 shows alternates 2 and 3 different from the solicitation deductive pricing sheet. Please clarify.

ANSWER 139: Deduct alternates on Drawings and in 004323 BID ITEMS FORM take precedence and synchronized in deduct numbering.

QUESTION 140: Sheet AS601 window schedule: it shows the finish for the frames to be anodized aluminum (store front), but in details #5, #6 and #7 it shows the frames to hollow metal. Please clarify.

ANSWER 140: Hollow metal window frames are to be used.

QUESTION 141: Sheet PP101 general plumbing demolition note #4: says any existing waste to remain should be rodded and cleaned out. The existing lines are galvanized thread pipe. We are concerned that

rodding these might cause damage to these lines that are from the original construction in the 1940's. Please provide additional directions.

ANSWER 141: Employ services by qualified pipe cleanout and inspection work. Inform VA of any damage of existing pipes prior to continuing work.

QUESTION 142: Sheet E101 electrical power key notes 4, 6 and 7: shows running power for condensers on the roof. Where are these located, it does not show it on the HVAC drawing roof plan M-102?

ANSWER 142: Locate 3rd floor cooler and freezer condensers on roof directly above each unit. Maintain appropriate spacing from existing equipment and roof edge. Ground level condenser to be located on roof which is located directly beyond the south wall of the unit at an elevation of approximately 15' from the finished floor where the freezer is to be located.

QUESTION 143: Amendment 00001, Scope of Work Section 1. B: states that the electrical conduit along with the distribution panel boards to be removed. This contradicts power keyed note #1 which says to replace and relocate (E) panel 1EQ3D4. Please clarify if we are to replace all panels in the area or just the panel indicated in note 1.

ANSWER 143: Replace only the panel indicated in note 1.

QUESTION 144: Sheet M101 plumbing plan note#6 says to route new sanitary below the slab approximately 30' to the south to the existing 4" line serving the dish room. The dish room is to the north of the new sink location. Please verify if we are connect to the dish room drain to the north or is there an existing 4" drain to the south that we are to tie into that serves another area? Also this area is an important part of the lab with sensitive equipment. Can this work be completed during normal business hours, or during off hours? This ceiling space is very tight with existing utilities and equipment. If routing to the drain indicated is not possible, please identify alternate drain if routing.

ANSWER144: Tie in point is located to the north. Assume work in lab is to be performed at night or over a weekend. Include temporary soft wall barriers and negative pressure machines to isolate area from active lab.

QUESTION 145: During field investigations it was observed that were other interior walls in west side offices and corridor 3251 that are constructed with plaster. Are these interior plaster walls ACM containing, similar to the walls shown within Asbestos Spec book Fig.1?

ANSWER 145: Most recent tests from VA came negative to ACM in those walls.

QUESTION 146: In the abatement and hazmat specifications on page 00 01 15-2 Item 2 says remove 653 sq. ft. of floor tile from the east hallway. Is this in an area outside of the scope of this project. Item 3 remove 2262 Sq Ft of floor tile from the hallway and suites. Is this the hallway and kitchen office area? Item 4 remove 456 Sq. Ft. of transite from the window wells. Is this referring to the transite panels in the heater recesses? How many are we to remove just those on the west and south walls, or all of them in the entire kitchen area like the drawing shows? Item 6 remove 7533 Sq. Ft. of plaster from inward facing exterior walls and interstitial walls. We need clarification on exactly which walls are to be demolished, and of those which have asbestos?

ANSWER 146: We are not sure which specification sections the contractor is referring to. Specification section 000115 is the List of Drawings Sheets. Per the language used it almost seems like the

specifications in questions are from another project, possibly Substandard Beds project also on the 3rd floor of the building.

Spec Section: 11 41 21 - Walk-In Coolers and Freezers

QUESTION 147: There is no refrigeration equipment sizing and no load calculations to refer to in order to size the capacity of the refrigeration equipment. Without load calculations the refrigeration equipment cannot be sized. Please provide.

ANSWER147: The desired temperature ranges for the units are specified and have been provided in question 138. Knowing this and the sizes of the refrigerator units, contractor should be able to size the refrigeration equipment to meet those requirements.

QUESTION 148: There are discrepancies between the divisions listed in the specifications table of contents and the minimum division detail listed within the solicitation Factor 4-Price on pages 22-24, i.e. Division 03 is not in the specifications but is in the division detail list in Factor 4 of the solicitation. Please advise how Offeror is to address this and confirm that the discreet quantities and unit prices are to include only Material and Equipment and for informational purposes only for evaluation and are not reflective of the division total prices which will include labor, GC's, profit, overhead etc.

ANSWER 148: Division 3 is not in the Specifications because no concrete work is planned for this project. As the question implies, the unit prices are to be included only for informational purposes and are not reflective of the division total pricing.

QUESTION 149: Sheet E101: shows to install several new outlets with surface mounted conduit tied into panels 1EQ3D1 and 1EQ3D2. Sheet AS901 room finish schedule note #2 says the ceramic tile on the column in the electrical room is to remain. These (E) panels are recessed in the column therefore it would be impossible to leave this column as is and get new conduit to these panels. Please clarify.

ANSWER 149: Answer: The ceramic tile on the existing column furring wall is to be removed to minimal extent needed for installation of new conduits and then repaired to as new condition with a tile of similar characteristics as the existing. Submit proposed replacement tiles for approval prior to ordering and installation.